

**TIPPECANOE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**June 10, 2008**

The Emergency Management Advisory Council held its regular meeting on Tuesday, June 10, 2008 at 8:00 a.m. in the Tippecanoe Room in the County Office Building. Advisory Council members present were: Chairman Nathan Miller, Dave Reagan, Mike Kyger, Commissioner Ruth Shedd, Garry Smith, Councilmember Betty Michael and Jimmy Kesterson. Also present were Director Mark Kirby and Secretary Jennifer Prange.

Dave Reagan moved to approve the minutes from the May 13, 2008 meeting, second by Garry Smith; motion carried.

**Director's Report**

The Garage Fund for 2008 is diminishing quickly; Director Kirby expects two large fuel bills in June estimated at \$6,000. If needed, he will attend the July Council meeting to request additional funds. Additional opportunities to reduce fuel cost will be explored. He mentioned agencies using TEMA equipment may be required to replace fuel before returning the equipment.

Director Kirby reported volunteer storm spotters have declined to assist due to the high price of gasoline. TEMA has had decreased participation in community events. The cost of supplying equipment and volunteers at no charge to event holders has had an impact on TEMA's budget.

TEMA will participate in an anthrax detection drill at the State Road 26 Post Office on July 30, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. with Purdue Fire, Lafayette Fire and Lafayette Police.

Director Kirby reported a siren located at Battleground Middle School is currently inactive. This siren feeds off the power supplied by the Town of Battleground and cannot be activated until the town has restored power to that location.

A Hazard meeting will be held on July 17, 2008 in the Tippecanoe Room at 10:00 a.m.

An Elected Officials workshop for district involvement with Homeland Security will be held in July to provide general expectations for district operations.

The District Task Force is continuing to hold bi-weekly conference calls with no action due to the transition of control at the Department of Homeland Security.

**Committee Reports**

The communications committee met to discuss the Reverse 911 system and sirens. Dave Reagan reported the committee will table the Reverse 911 project until further information is received from Sheriff Brown. Placement of sirens was discussed; the committee intends to have an annual review of siren placement to ensure proper coverage for the county. The committee will meet on July 1, 2008 to discuss 5 year goals for the committee.

Chairman Miller discussed options for siren backup in event of severe weather and a power outage. He suggested researching options of battery backup for a portion of the sirens in the county.

The next meeting will be held on July 8, 2008 at 8:00 a.m.

Dave Reagan moved to adjourn.